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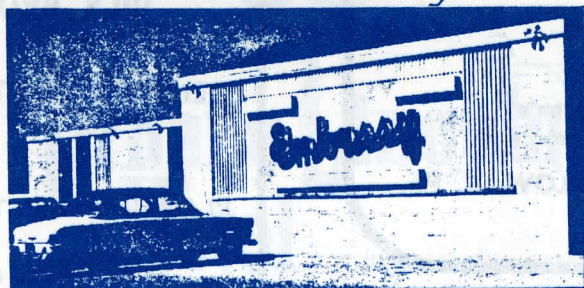
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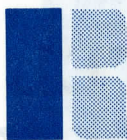
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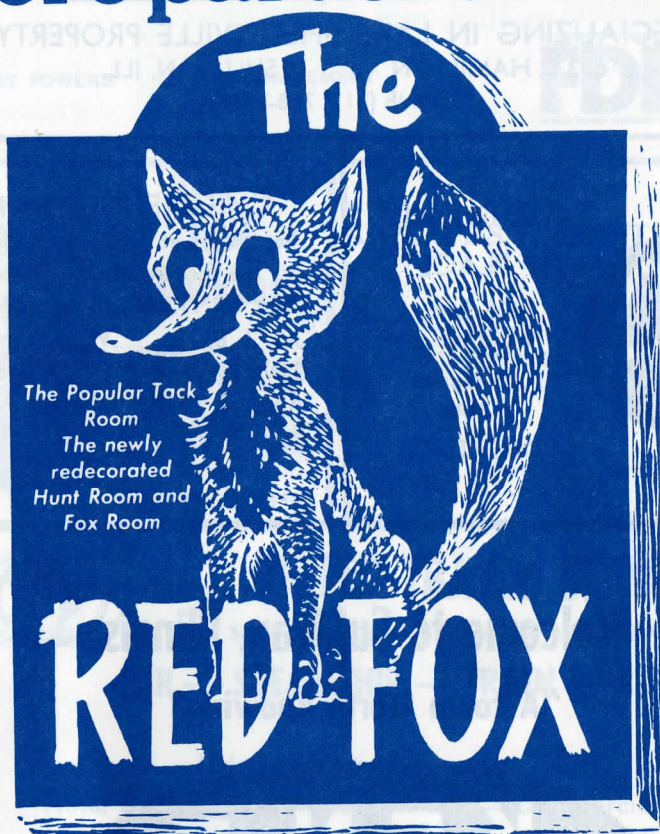
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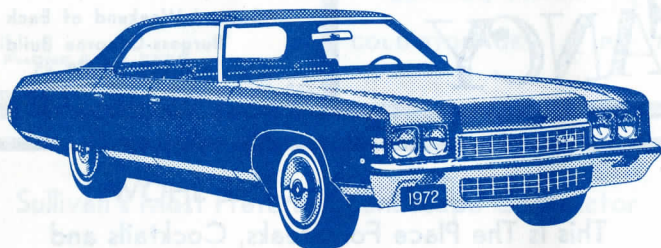
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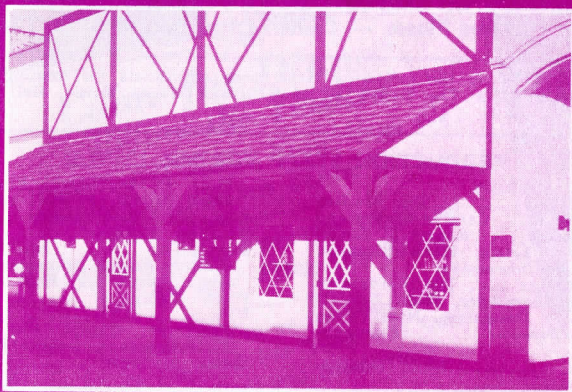
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"Getting Married Today"	Amy, Paul, Susan and Company
"Happily Ever After"	Robert

ACT TWO

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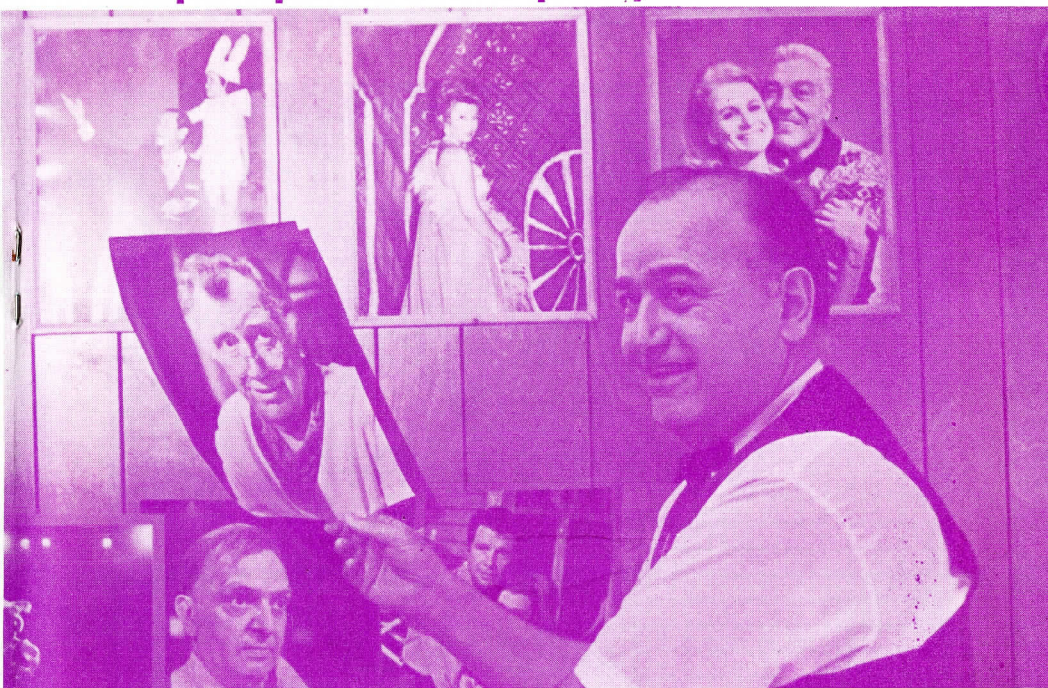
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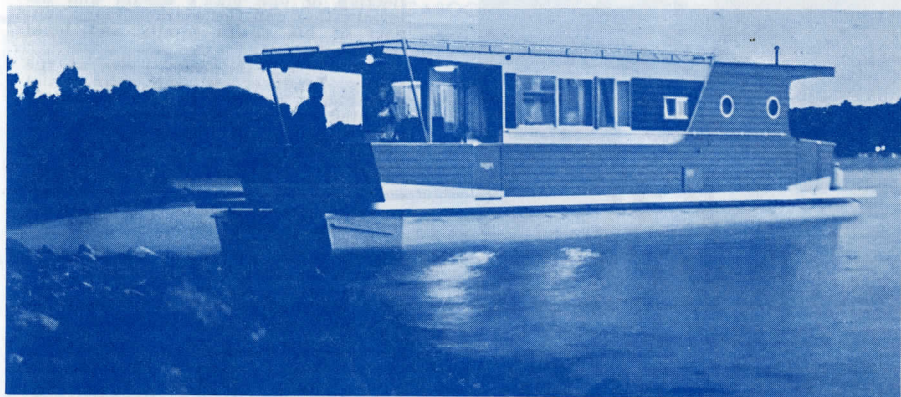
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Education is an important factor in pursuing a career in theatre, according to Guy Little, Jr., whether it is to

finalize in being a producer, actor or technical artist and he has dedicated his life to the continuous study of all phases of theatre. After graduation from the University of Miami where he met his wife, Jerili, and three seasons of doing the "dirty work" of being an apprentice in Eastern stock theatres, he returned to the mid-west to scout for a location to open a musical theatre. Buffeted by skeptics in larger area cities, he finally settled for leasing the old Grand Movie house in Sullivan for his first attempt at bringing professional stock theatre to central Illinois. It proved to be a wise decision since sixteen years later, The Little Theatre-On The Square is a reflection of one man's dream and determination and the extraordinary support of his entire family and loyal theatre patrons.

The "behind-the-scenes" life of the young producer is interesting and exemplary for the twenty to thirty talented young apprentices accepted each season for professional training in all phases of theatre. He assists in areas which need a helping hand in any and all departments and if audiences could see his actions before, during and after some of the performances, they might see him working at his desk a few moments before a performance, greeting patrons as the doors are opened, taking orders on the box office phones, sewing the last minute touches on a costume, putting on make-up for a walk-on part in the show and many other countless small and large details. He is a perfectionist and employs only the most outstanding production staff from hundreds of interviews in New York, Chicago and applications throughout the country. Over four hundred auditions for performing talent are held each year and only the most talented performers are selected for appearances on the Sullivan stage.

Guy's wife, Jerili, his daughter, Vanessa, and son, Sean, are all talented in the performing arts and have appeared in numerous productions throughout the years. Jerili is acclaimed in other leading theatres as well as in Sullivan for over sixty leading roles in plays and musical productions.

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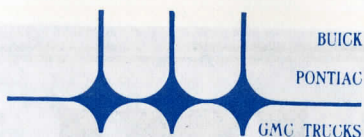
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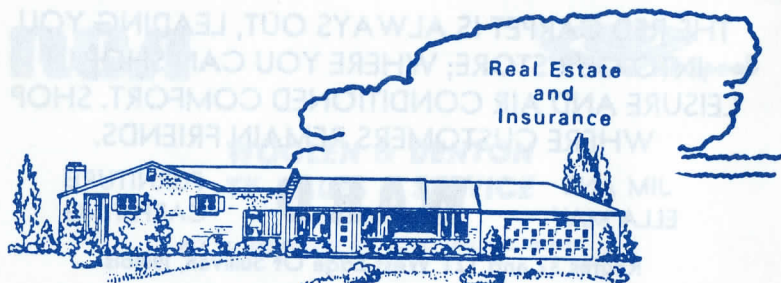


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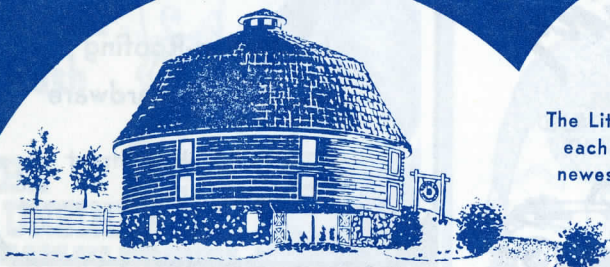
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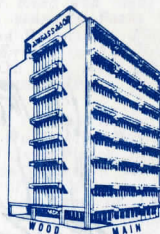
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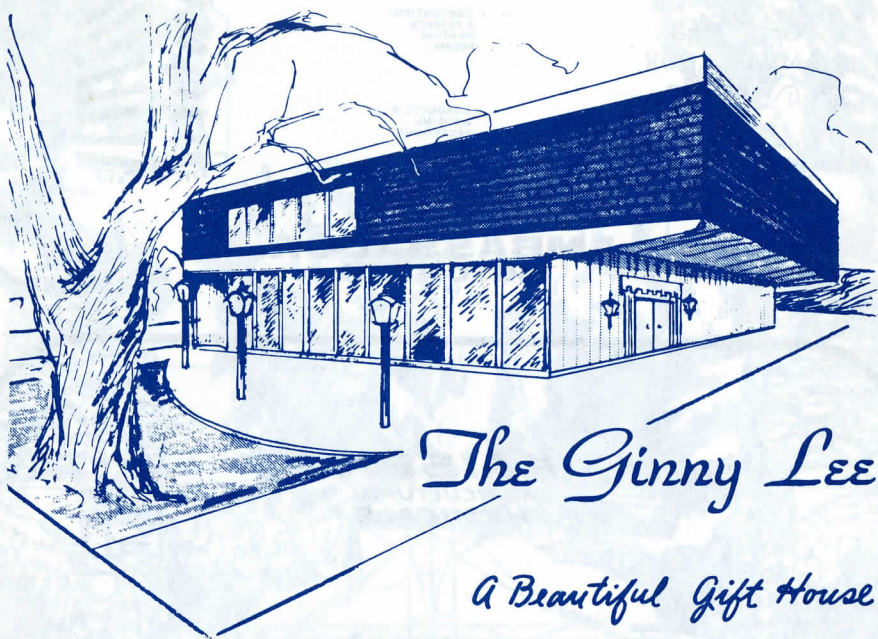
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Who's Who in the Cast . . .

JANIS PAIGE (Joanne) is equally at home in either dramatic, comic or musical roles on stage, movies or television. Prior to her stage career, she enjoyed acclaim for her starring roles in motion pictures, beginning with *Hollywood Canteen* and continuing through a four year tenure as a Warner Brothers star. Her Broadway opportunity came purely by accident when producer Leland Hayward, searching for the right actress to play the role of Jody Revere in the comedy, *Remains To Be Seen*, was introduced to Miss Paige at the rehearsal hall and within the next fifteen minutes, she came away with the part. A few years later, she went on to even greater success in the smash-hit Broadway musical, *Pajama Game* and again, in *Here's Love and Mame*. Films in which she has appeared include *Welcome To Hard Times* with Henry Fonda, *Please Don't Eat The Daisies*, *The Caretakers*, *Follow The Boys* and *Silk Stockings*. In addition to her television series, *It's Always Jan*, she has guest-starred on top variety and dramatic shows and has travelled the globe with Bob Hope to entertain the armed forces during the Christmas holiday seasons. In between all other facets of her career, Miss Paige also sandwiches in her original night club act in leading supper clubs including the famous Copacabana in New York. In stock, she has starred at leading theatres in *Mame*, *Lovers And Other Strangers*, *Forty Carats*, *Annie Get Your Gun* and *Sweet Charity*. Miss Paige has recently returned from South Africa where she starred in *Applause*.

ED EVANKO (Robert) was an instant favorite with Sullivan audiences in his first appearance last season in *The Great Waltz* as Johann Strauss, Jr. The Canadian-born actor made a spectacular Broadway debut opposite Sandy Duncan in *Canterbury Tales* and won a Theatre World Award for his performance. New York appearances this past season include *Leaves Of Grass* and *Love Me, Love My Children*. Mr. Evanko is well known on his native CBC TV network, BBC in England and ITV in Wales for his appearances in variety and dramatic shows. Some of his stock theatre performances in this country include both *Mame* and *Forty Carats* with Janis Paige, *Meet Me In St. Louis* with Jane Powell, *Damn Yankees* with Van Johnson, *Plain And Fancy* with Margaret Whiting, *The King And I* with Darren McGavin and *Cyrano De Bergerac* with Tom Poston. Immediately before returning to Sullivan this year, he co-starred with Gretchen Wyler in *Company* at Milwaukee's Melody Top Theatre.

FLOYD KING (Harry) has made an enormous hit with Sullivan audiences and critics alike in last season's roles as Cornelius in *Hello, Dolly!*, Herman in *The Most Happy Fella*, Marryin' Sam in *Li'l Abner* and again this season in 1776, *The Unsinkable Molly Brown* and *Anything Goes*. Mr. King toured in the national companies of *Half A Sixpence* and *Walking Happy*, and is a familiar figure in off-Broadway productions, major TV shows and stock theatres. Last winter he appeared in *Norman, Is That You?* and *Tom Jones*.

MARSHA KRAMER (Sarah) is no stranger to *Company*, having played Marta at Cecilwood Playhouse in New York, Amy at Melody Top in Milwaukee and now, Sarah at The Little Theatre-On The Square. She has played Liesl in *The Sound Of Music* with Ann Blyth, Lucy in *You're A Good Man, Charlie Brown* and leading roles in *Once Upon A Mattress* and the National Tour of *On A Clear Day*. Miss Kramer's television appearances range from working with wild comics on *The Bill Cosby Show* to wild animals on *Jambo*. In her native California, she was featured in *Victory Canteen* with Patty Andrews at Hollywood's Ivar Theatre.

JOHN KELSO (David) has appeared with Gisele MacKenzie, Pat O'Brien, Imogene Coca, Betty Grable, Jane Kean, Dorothy Collins, Tab Hunter, Mercedes McCambridge, Den-

nis Weaver, Robert Reed and many others. Mr. Kelso directed this season's *Paris Is Out!* and has been featured as Roberts in *The Unsinkable Molly Brown*, Sir Evelyn in *Anything Goes*, the Rabbi in *Fiddler On The Roof* and Dr. Dreyfuss in *Promises, Promises*.

ALLAN CARLSEN (Peter) made his Sullivan debut in *Paris Is Out!* with Pat O'Brien and later was seen as Jean-Pierre in *13 Rue de L'Amour*, as Thomas Jefferson in 1776, as Perchik in *Fiddler On The Roof* with Shelley Beriman and Sheldrake in *Promises, Promises*. At Chicago's Goodman Theatre, he was featured in *The Royal Family*, *The Importance Of Being Ernest*, *Assassination, 1865* and *The Ruling Class*. At Ravinia Festival, he was seen as Jake Clatt in *Look Homeward, Angel*. Later this season Mr. Carlsen will be seen here as Philip, King of France in *The Lion In Winter*.

ANDREA WALTER (Amy) impressed audiences and critics alike as the delightful Minnie Fay in *He!lo, Dolly!* last season in Sullivan. The talented Miss Walter has been featured in Sullivan in *Fiddler On The Roof*, *The Great Waltz*, *The Unsinkable Molly Brown*, *Anything Goes* and as Martha Jefferson in 1776.

CAROL CULVER (Kathy) made her professional debut in the 1967 production of *Camelot* and since then has been featured in *110 In The Shade*, *On A Clear Day*, *Funny Girl*, *Show Boat* and *Sweet Charity*. She was the understudy for Judy Carne in Broadway's *The Boy Friend*, replacing Miss Carne and receiving rave reviews. Recently Miss Culver appeared in *Dames At Sea* and toured in the National Company of *Promises, Promises*.

CONNIE SHAFER (Marta) has been featured in leading theatres as a dancer-actress-singer in *Cabaret*, *Mame*, *Man Of La Mancha*, *Brigadoon*, *Most Happy Fella*, *Fiddler On The Roof*, *Li'l Abner* and this season's *Promises, Promises*. She has appeared in *Man Of La Mancha* with Georgio Tozzi, *Mame* with Edie Adams, *Can-Can* with Ann Miller and *Fiddler On The Roof* with Jan Pearce at the new Flint, Michigan Playhouse.

DIETRICH SNELLING (Paul) returned for his second season in Sullivan as Children's Theatre Director. His original musical scores for *The Tempest* in 1969 and for this season's children's shows brought high acclaim. Appearances in major productions this season include the Police Inspector in *13 Rue de L'Amour*, Dr. James Wilson in 1776, Mordcha in *Fiddler On The Roof* and the Purser in *Anything Goes*.

ANNA McNEELY (Susan) was seen as the hilarious Ernestina in *Hello, Dolly!* and has sung in most of the musical productions during the past two seasons including *The Great Waltz*, *Most Happy Fella*, *Fiddler On The Roof* and *The Unsinkable Molly Brown*.

STEVE BILLIG (Larry) first appeared in *Promises, Promises* at The Little Theatre-On The Square. Mr. Billig has appeared in *How To Succeed In Business, Pal Joey*, *Finian's Rainbow*, *Girl Crazy*, *The Fantasticks*, *The Music Man*, *Oklahoma!* and *Who's Afraid Of Virginia Woolfe?* and as Tyler in *National Health* at Chicago's Forum Theatre.

KATHY TAYLOR (April) has been a popular ingenue in Sullivan this season after debuting as Mrs. Adams in *Forty Carats*. She was featured as Arlene Kander in *Paris Is Out!*, Hope in *Anything Goes* and Hodel in *Fiddler On The Roof*.

CAROL MARIK (Jenny) was sensational as Bonnie, the gun moll in *Anything Goes* and brought down the house singing and dancing the "Heaven Hop" in *Fiddler On The Roof*. She appeared as Chava and as a mute clown in the Children's Theatre production of *The Red Shoes*.

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